difficulties in the way of giving money. However, the suggestion may be considered.

Repairs to Godabanahal Tank.

Q.—42. **Messrs. Venkatapathi THIMMIAH** and Patel **MALLAPPA** (Chitaldrug Taluk); **T. SHADAKSHARAPPA** and **D. SIVASANKARAYYA** (Chellakere Taluk); **K. KENCHAPPA** and **B. SITHARAMIAH** (Hiriyur Taluk); **Pathi BASAPPA** and **Kamareddy MALLAPPA** (Molakalmuru Taluk): **Patel CHENNAPPA** and **GOWDA SIVAPPA** (Davangere Taluk): **GOWDA ESWARAPPA**, son of Mr. Nanjappa Gowda, and **GOWDA ESWARAPPA**, son of Mr. Rangappa (Holalkere Taluk); **B. V. NAGESHA SETTY** and **B. MARULAPPA** (Hosadurga Taluk); **J. S. MAHALINGAPPA** and **MALKAPPA** (Jagalur Taluk); **BASAVANNA GOWDA** (Harihar Sub-Taluk); **S. RANGA RAO** (Chitaldrug Municipality); **M. GURUSIDDAPPA** (Davangere Municipality) and **MAHOMED USMAN SAHEB** (Harihar Municipality):—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) what is the amount of estimate sanctioned for the *bundh* and waste-weir work of Godabanahal (Annehal) tank in Chitaldrug Taluk;

(*b*) what is the amount of expenditure incurred for each of the items referred to above;

(*c*) is it a fact that, after the tank work was completed and the tank handed over by the Engineering Department to the Revenue Department, the *bundh* at grades 18, 19, 20 and 21 slided back and cracked, and was in a condition to breach, and that the raiyats petitioned when it was in that condition;

(*d*) is it a fact that, to avoid breach and danger, the Deputy Commissioner and the Executive Engineer got the newly built weir removed and allowed the water to flow out;

(*e*) is it a fact that the sunken portions of the *bundh* in grades 18, 19, 20 and 21 were set right and the waste-weir repaired again;

(*f*) what is the expenditure incurred for constructing the waste-weir newly; what is the cost incurred for removing it subsequently and for repairing it again;

(*g*) what is the expenditure incurred for repairing the sunken portions of the tank *bundh*?

A.—The **SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Mr. R. W. Scaldwell).**—

(*a*) The amount of the sanctioned estimate is Rs. 11,000.

(*b*) Expenditure on the *bundh* is Rs. 5,013 and on waste-weir Rs. 2,533.

(*c*) Yes. The *bundh* for a length of 120 feet in grades 19 and 20 slipped.

(*d*) The waste-weir was not removed, but was lowered by a foot and a half for a length of 60 feet, to keep the tank in a safe condition.

(*e*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*f*) The waste-weir was first constructed at a cost of Rs. 2,533. A cost of Rs. 54 was incurred for lowering the weir and a sum of Rs. 81 was spent for re-building it.

(*g*) The expenditure incurred for repairing the slipped portion is Rs. 339.

Mr. Patel MALLAPPA.—Even though the *bundh* of the tank was repaired twice, cracks have again appeared. What action has been taken to repair it now?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—I have not received any report in the matter. I shall obtain a report and consider the action to be taken.

Mr. T. SHADAKSHARAPPA.—If the work was done well on the first occasion itself, would there have been any necessity for doing it again?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—There may have been silt beneath the old *bundh* which might have caused a slip.

Mr. T. SHADAKSHARAPPA.—In what condition is the tank now?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—I want notice.

Mr. T. SHADAKSHARAPPA.—Is there enough water in the tank for wet cultivation?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—I cannot say anything now, in the absence of any report on the subject.

Mr. T. SHADAKSHARAPPA.—If the tank is still in a bad condition and water is leaking, will it not be repaired again?

Mr. R. W. SCALDWELL.—We shall consider the matter after the receipt of a report.